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CONSULTATION ON THE REVISION OF PACE CODES OF PRACTICE C AND H

- 1. Attached are draft *extracts* from the current revised Codes of Practice C and H issued under the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 (PACE) and effective from Tuesday 31 July 2018. In these extracts, the changes being considered for the purposes of this consultation are tracked and new and revised text is highlighted in grey.
- 2. The extent of the proposed changes is limited both in content and scope and it is for this reason that the full provisions of the Codes are not being circulated. Instead, *extracts* of the sections of the Codes that are affected by the changes are provided in a single document.. The full provisions of the Codes are available for reference at: <u>www.gov.uk/guidance/police-and-criminal-evidence-act-1984-pace-codes-of-practice</u>.
- 3. The Minister of State for Policing and the Fire Service has agreed that this will be a 6 week consultation beginning on Tuesday 21 August 2018 and ending on Monday 1 October 2018. Full details, including copies of the draft revisions to the Codes, will also be published on GOV.UK and accessible at: www.gov.uk/guidance/police-and-criminal-evidence-act-1984-pace-codes-of-practice.
- **4.** The extracts for each of the Codes of Practice are preceded by a covering note *which outlines the background to the proposed revisions* and *a* table which briefly *describes* the changes and their purpose, with links to the paragraphs concerned.

Next steps

5. These drafts are circulated for statutory consultation in accordance with section 67(4) of PACE. All responses should be sent to <u>pacereview@homeoffice.gsi.gov.uk</u> to arrive no later than Monday 1 October 2018.

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